

Food and Agriculture Organization *of the* United Nations



FAO at 60: Reforming for the Future

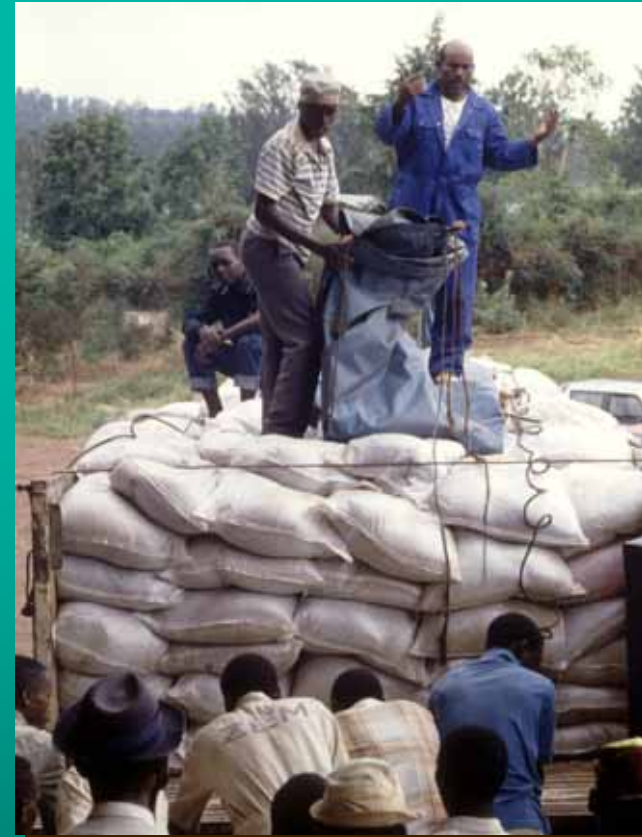
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Rationale for Reform

- ***Major Challenges***
 - World Food Summit and Millennium Development Goals
 - Raising the environmental and social sustainability of food systems
 - Coping better with globalization



Rationale for Reform

- ***Changing international environment & opportunities***
 - Commitments to expand resource mobilization, aid flows and debt relief
 - UN reform & harmonization processes
 - Emergence of developing-country institutions & competencies
 - Rapid expansion of communications & information technologies
 - Opportunities to transform business processes



Guiding Principles Underlying Reform

- Preserving Members' priorities
- Enhancing FAO's role as a knowledge organization
- Focusing on capacity-building
- Strengthening inter-disciplinarity and policy assistance
- Working together with UN partners
- Reinforcing alliances with civil society and peoples' organizations



Guiding Principles Underlying Reform

- Marshalling resources to support Members
- Deepening cooperation with Members' organizations
- Reinforcing the country focus
- Universality in serving Members, selectivity in allocating resources
- Linking structural reforms to better management processes
- Providing for more flexible means of action



Key Aspects of Reform

- Sharper focus and avoidance of fragmentation
- Inter-disciplinarity
- Use of knowledge networks
- Support to capacity building



Organizational Structure: Departments

- ***Sustainable Food and Agricultural Systems:***
 - Agriculture, Biosecurity, Nutrition and Consumer Protection Department
 - Forestry Department
 - Fisheries and Aquaculture Department
 - Natural Resources, Technology and Sustainable Development Department



Organizational Structure: Departments

- ***Knowledge Exchange, Policy and Advocacy:***
 - Economic and Social Development Department
 - Knowledge Exchange, Communications, and Capacity Building Department
 - Department for Alliances and Rural Livelihoods



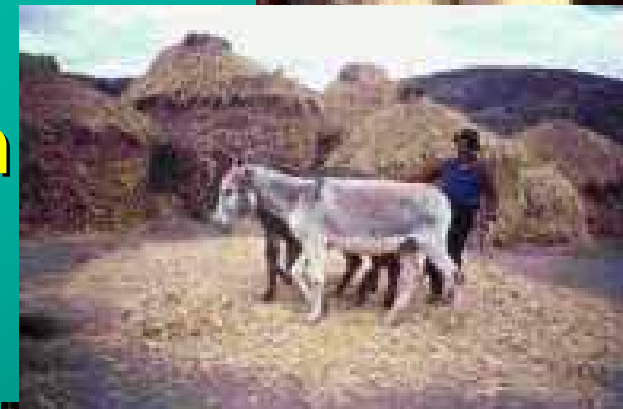
Organizational Structure: Departments

- ***Decentralization, UN Cooperation and Programme Delivery:***
 - Coordination and Decentralization Department
 - Outreach Programmes Department
- ***Department of Human, Financial and Physical Resources***



Decentralized Network

- Heighten capacity to respond to member country needs
- Greater use of national professionals
- More subregional offices with multidisciplinary teams
- Increase joint arrangements with other UN agencies



Further Information

ftp://ftp.fao.org/docrep/fao/meeting/009/j5800e/j5800e_sup1.pdf

